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Activity II: Identifying Theme**Pre-Reading**

Before reading Lois Lowry's *Number the Stars*, take a moment to consider the following two writing prompts. These prompts deal with fear and hiding—two concepts that help develop the overall theme of the story. Choose the prompt to which you feel you can reply best and compose a one page, three-paragraph response. After writing a rough draft, proofread and revise your paper for mistakes and organization before writing a final copy.

- Imagine what it would be like to live in isolated hiding. What everyday necessities would you have to give up? How would this affect your relationships with friends and family?
- Imagine what it would be like to live in constant fear, where at any moment you could be taken away and forced to change your life forever. How would your everyday routine be affected? Would you be able to live your life to the extent that you are living it now? Explain.

Use the **WRITING PROCESS GUIDELINES** to format your response.